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Office, Queen Street, Woodstock, N. B.

1905--A Year of GREAT RESULTS.

The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company on Dec. 31st, 1905, closed its most successful year. Some of the year's results were as follows:

Insurance in force Dec. 31, 1905, over	\$42,270,272 00
Applications received during 1905	8,566,355 00
Net Premium Income	1,645,385 58
Total Income	1,945,840 31
Increase in Insurance in force	4,601,804 00
Increase in Assets	1,072,337 09
Making Total Assets	7,184,681 66
Increase in Surplus	130,086 94
Making Total Surplus	901,956 06
(Including \$300,000 00, Capital Stock.)	

The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company Guarantees Positive Protection to Policy Holders.

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T. A. LINDSAY,
Inspector, Woodstock, N.B.

Mgrs. Maritime Provinces, St. John, N. B.

COAT MAKERS WANTED.

Three coat makers wanted. Good wages and steady employment. R. B. JONES, Main Street, Woodstock, N. B. March 21st.

FOR SALE.

A first class gramophone and forty musical and talking records at half price. Enquire at R. B. JONES store.

Narrow Escape From Drowning.

Two young boys had a narrow escape from drowning last Friday evening. Perley Hartley only son of J. C. Hartley, Barrister, and Clyde Camber, only son of Dr. W. D. Camber, got on a small float that was tied to the wharf at Queen street. The float broke from its moorings and getting into swift water rushed rapidly down the river about a mile and a half, when it struck a boom and went to pieces. Clyde Camber managed to climb on the boom and get ashore. Perley Hartley was too heavy and the boom sank with him and he was only with the greatest difficulty able to keep his head above water. Two plucky young men, Fred Clark and Tom Gable got in a canoe and went to the rescue. Fortunately they reached the boom in time to save Perley Hartley. He was on the eve of exhaustion and was almost unconscious. A minute later would have been too late.

Great credit is due to the two young men who formed the rescue party. The water was very swift and logs were running thickly and their frail craft was in constant danger.

Over Two Hundred Years Ago.

John Gyles, the English lad who was captured in 1689 and brought by his Indian master to Medoctec, the Indian village eight miles below Woodstock, says:—"After some weeks had passed we left this village and went up the St. John River about ten miles to a branch called the Medockscenecosis, where there was one wigwam. At our arrival an old squaw saluted me with a yell, taking me by the hair and one hand, but I was so rude as to break her hold and free myself. She gave me a filthy grin, and the Indians set up a laugh and so it passed over. Here we lived on fish, wild grapes, roots, etc., which was hard living for me."

Where the one wigwam stood in 1689, there stands today a town of 4,000 people. The stream which Gyles calls the Medockscenecosis is the Meduxnakik and the town is Woodstock. On the islands and intervals there, wild grapes and lilly roots, butter-nuts and cherries are still to be found, and many generations of boys have wandered with light hearts in quest of them without a thought of the first white boys who in loneliness and friendlessness trod those intervals more than two hundred years ago.—History of St. John River, by Dr. Raymond.

The Racing Season.

Gallagher Bros. have signed a lease for the Woodstock Trotting Park for another five years after having held the property for the past ten years. During the past two years the Woodstock meeting has had the Sussex track bucking against it, but this year they will be free from opposition and have decided to hold their races the second week in July. The horses will come from Fredericton to Woodstock and there should be large fields of horses and well patronized races. The Woodstock track will be a busy place this season. Jinnie Gallagher is preparing to go right down the circuit with a racing stable. The beautiful and speedy racing mare Gertie Glen, a grand 20 class candidate, will be in the game again this season and the veteran Joe Hal is also being put in training.

Other horses that will start in the races this year are Brown Dick, Jay Wilkes and the fast four year old Tack Hammer. If a three year old class is made up late in the season Wm. Bolger's Stallion, "Major Bill Good," Prince Alfondly, and Belle Alfondly will be available. William Hamilton and Ernest McLean also have good horses that would enter this class.

On the Range.

Following is a summary of the shooting at the range on Monday:

CLASS A.		CLASS B.		CLASS C.	
200	500	600	Total	200	500
Kirkpatrick	34	29	29	92	
Balmain	27	26	21	74	
Johnston	30	30	25	85	
Lindsay	28	22	26	76	
McManus	25	20	22	67	
Fewer	20	19	18	57	
Dickinson	19	7	24	50	
Rogers	31	28	25	84	
Belyea	23	27	24	74	
Skillen	28	28	21	77	
Teed	19	27	23	69	
Blackie	17	24	22	63	
Hay	17	25	23	65	
Estabrooks	14	16	18	48	

Bowling.

Following are the scores made in the roll off for a box of cigars on Monday evening:

McCrea	98
McManus	97
Sheasgreen	90
Eagles	80
Grant	78

Japanese Famine Fund.

Previously acknowledged	\$136 22
Albert St. W. Baptist church	10 00
	\$146 22

Our Electric Lighting System.

How Shall it be Operated?--Is the So Called Dam Company Trying to Make a fat Thing out of the Town?

At the council on Monday evening Mayor Munro and Coun. Dunbar were absent. All the other members were present.

On motion Coun. McManus took the chair. The treasurer's report showed, for the four months, Receipts, \$3018.15; Expenditures, \$5611 30.

The debit balance at the bank on April 30th was \$3163 76, which Coun. Leighton said was the smallest at that date for at least six years.

Coun. Fields reported that he waited on Mr. Colpitts and asked if he would enforce the Scott Act by a succession of 1st, 2nd and 3rd offences. Mr. Colpitts said he would do so if the council requested him to, whether it pays a revenue or not.

Tenders had been asked for lighting the streets, according to the following terms:—

1st. For placing the Town Dynamo in the station of the Company tendering and operating the present system owned by the town, the Company simply furnishing the power for running the dynamo, the town to look after the lamps and circuit.

2nd. To furnish the power to operate the dynamo at the pumping station through a motor, the Company to furnish the motor.

3rd. To light the streets, furnish the lamps, the town giving the Company tendering the use of the circuit and poles belonging to the town.

Each tender must state how much the dynamo tendering will ask, under each of the above heads, per lamp.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

The following letter was then read:

TO HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR, AND THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WOODSTOCK:—

SIRS,—In reply to your notice of tender, dated the 21st April, 1906, signed by your Town Clerk, calling for tenders for lighting the streets of the Town of Woodstock, we beg to point out to you that, as we read the notice, it is impossible to make a tender on any one of the three propositions set forth in your notice, for the following reasons:—

First. In your proposition to place the Town Dynamo in the station of the tendering Company, you do not state whether you wish sufficient current for twenty-four lamps, the number which we understand are now in operation in the Town, or forty or fifty or what number; neither do you ask for a lump sum per year, or a certain price per lamp. Then again you do not state whether the light is to be supplied until 12 o'clock, or during the whole night, or if it be under what is known as the "moonlight schedule," and in this connection, we consider that a very unsatisfactory condition of affairs would exist were the dynamo run by a Company and the lamps attended to by an official of the Town, because, whenever any trouble should arise, owing to a poor service the inevitable result would be for the Company to blame the Town, and vice versa, and it would be next to impossible to settle the responsibility upon the proper party.

Second. In your notice you ask for tenders to supply the power to operate the dynamo at the pumping station from a motor to be supplied by the tenderer, and in this case the same objections apply as to the first as to the lack of definite information as to the number of lamps, etc., with a further very material objection that we would not know how large a motor to supply. For instance, if it is the intention of the Town to run twenty-four as a maximum, then it would require a very small motor. If, on the other hand the Town wished to provide for a fifty lamp plant, there would be a difference of from \$700 to \$1,000 in the price of the two motors and, until this information is furnished, it is simply impossible to make an intelligent offer.

Third. You then ask for a tender on the basis of furnishing lamps and power, the Town only to furnish the circuit and poles now existing. Here again the most of the difficulties in the first two propositions exist, with another more serious objection than that contained in either the first or second, viz. You do not state what kind of a lamp is to be used. We take it for granted that as the Company tendering is to furnish the lamps if the third proposition were accepted, it would be your intention to abolish the present out of date, obsolete system which we certainly have in the Town of Woodstock, and install a new system of some kind, but you do not state how many lamps or whether they are to be the ordinary incandescent arc lamps, such as used in some of the stores in Town, which only require as much power as do ten ordinary 16 C. P. lamps, or whether you want lamps of a higher power, for instance 1200, 1800 or 2200 C. P. and under this notice, as it now stands, we might make an offer at a ridiculously low rate and simply furnish the ordinary incandescent arc lamp, which would be of practically no value whatever for street lighting. For these reasons, which must be apparent to your body upon perusal, we are not in a position to make a tender, and would ask that you place the public, including ourselves, in a position to make an offer which will be intelligent to ourselves and satisfactory to the ratepayers, and not leave the matter in a position for unpleasantness, if not litigation, in the future.

Dated at Woodstock in the County of Carlton, this Seventh day of May, A. D., 1906.

THE WOODSTOCK ELECTRIC RAILWAY LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY PER J. A. HAYDEN.

The following tender was then read:

WOODSTOCK, N. B., May 3rd.
MOONLIGHT SCHEDULE.

Tender as per Town Council in reference to public notice to light the town by Electric Company.

1st. To take Dynamo and furnish power for \$35.00 per lamp per year, Town to run system and all help and repairs except power.

2nd. To furnish motor at \$37.00 per lamp per year, Town to furnish all wiring, lamps and poles and run system, keep plant in good order, except motor which is to remain property of Electric Company.

3rd. To furnish new lamps, Town to furnish poles and wire at \$50.00 per lamp per year, term of contract five years, lamps to remain property of Electric Company at the end of term.

The above tender from
THE WOODSTOCK ELECTRIC LIGHT CO., L'TD.
H. A. CONNELL, Manager.

Coun. Leighton moved, seconded by Coun. Fields that the letter and the tender be filed and the light and water committees be authorized to retain the services of an electrical expert to come here and look into the whole matter of operating our water and lighting plant by electrical power.

Coun. Fields who spoke to the motion was rather indignant. He was a member of both the light and the water committee and he had not been consulted when these tenders were asked for, neither had Coun. Dunbar, chairman of the water committee. The notice asking for tenders was faulty and incomplete so that no company could make an intelligible tender that would be satisfactory to both the town and the company. According to the terms of Mr. Connell's tender he could use any kind of a light or a light of any strength if he supplied the lamps himself. He thought Coun. Fisher in taking it upon himself to issue such a notice for tenders had acted unwisely and discourteously to the other members of the two committees.

At this juncture Coun. Fisher, in the words of the poet, "took the sword and drord it." He said he was a free and independent representative of the electors and had not come there to obey the behest of a corporation. He felt that no matter what the tenders were like the result was all settled beforehand, that what was known as the dam Company was to get the contract. But he thought it would be a blind thing for the town to turn itself or its lighting arrangements over to that company. The attempt was being made last year by some people to tie the town to the dam Company, but the dam went out and the thing fell through. It was true, he said, the dam did get through this spring, but it might go out any minute. The dam was not a satisfactory affair. Though the company had spent enough money on it to have a good structure yet any one who knew anything about dams knew that it was not on a satisfactory foundation. He said he did not believe in asking for tenders of this kind this year, anyway. To make the change would be very expensive to the town, whereas by a smaller expenditure the town could buy 16 more lamps and then the lighting system would be very satisfactory.

Coun. Fields asked if Coun. Fisher was not in favour of asking for tenders why he had gone to the trouble of taking upon himself alone the task of having the notice made out and published. He had intimated that the dam Company wanted to make a fat thing out of the town, but their letter did not show it and he knew the company asked no favours of the town. If the company could not give the town cheaper and better lights than it had at present the company would not press for a contract.

Coun. Leighton didn't know to whom Coun. Fisher referred when he talked of men who came to the council pledged to support the demands of the dam Company. He was always prepared to go to the people on any vote he ever gave. He wanted an expert here, and if the expert said it would not be advisable to run the lights by electrical power, then he would vote against it. He severely criticised Mr. Connell's tender and claimed that according to it it would be difficult to hold the contractor to anything that would be satisfactory to the town.

The motion to get an electrical expert to come here was carried, only Coun. Fisher voting nay, Couns. Henderson, Fields and Leighton voting yea.

Owing to the poor health of Coun. Dunbar, and at his request, the Friday's meeting of the council will be held in the afternoon. In the meantime, at his request, the council and the Superintendent of Water Works will meet at the pumping station to consider the need of some repairs.

THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA issues Canadian Bankers' Association Money Orders, which are payable at par at any bank in Canada, Yukon Territory excepted.

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